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Sir:

The above-referenced patent application claims priority, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119, from German Patent Application No. DE 198/28113.7, filed on June 24, 1998. To perfect this claim of priority, Applicant hereby submits copies of the International Preliminary Examination Report and the International Search Report.

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